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Editor's Note: This week, 10 projects by high-profile designers completed in the last five years. Plus, introducing ULI's new global chairman, Randall Rowe, chairman of Green Courte Partners—and taking a spin on a new ride-sharing service.



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[ULX: 10 New Projects by High-Profile Designers](#)

The following ten projects by internationally known architecture firms—all completed during the past five years—include buildings that create and shape public open space, fit inventively into neighborhoods and historic contexts without dominating them, rethink educational traditions to foster interaction among students in the digital age, and reconnect city residents to nature.

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[ULI Announces New Global Chairman](#)

Randall K. Rowe, chairman of Green Courte Partners, a Chicago-based private equity real estate investment firm, has been named the new ULI global chairman. As chairman, Rowe will focus on three areas: strengthening the Institute's capacity for knowledge sharing throughout all its member-to-member networks; ensuring that ULI's core programs have a steady source of funding; and growing the organization globally.

[First Over the Bridge](#)

What happens when a self-proclaimed urban-innovation "nerd" takes a new ride-sharing service for a spin?

[Walkable Downtowns Drawing Companies and Talent](#)

Suburban office parks, which developed and spread far and wide as businesses left American cities, are now losing ground to those same cities, according to a new report from Smart Growth America.

Overcoming the Resistance to More Density

Speaking at ULI Europe's Real Estate Trends Conference, ULI senior fellow Greg Clark drew attention to the "long memory" for failed density projects across the globe. "If Europe is to retain economic strength, it is necessary to unlock these issues," he warned.

Digital Sales Driving Shifts in Requirements for Physical Space

Midmarket hotels, traditional office space, and even high street retail are among the forms of real estate that will have the "lowest possible value in the future" because of shifting tastes and land-use patterns, according to the chief executive officer of a leading think tank at the ULI Real Estate Trends Conference 2015 in London.

Quantifying the U.S. Housing Crisis

The newly founded J. Ronald Terwilliger Foundation for Housing America's Families launched in June with the release of an investigative housing report, focused on the post-Great Recession housing market in the United States.

ULI Report Looks at Sea-Level Rise in the Bay Area

ULI San Francisco has released a report titled Tackling Sea-Level Rise: Best Practices in the San Francisco Bay Area based on a yearlong research effort. The report aims to help Bay Area governments, developers, landowners, and others to plan appropriately for sea-level rise, which the Bay Conservation and Development Commission estimates could inundate potentially 280 square miles (725 sq km) of property by 2050.

Upcoming Webinar: "Health Amenities and Real Estate Premiums: Project Examples and Case Studies" on July 23. [Register Now](#)



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